

REMARKS

Applicant hereby elects the subject matter of Group I, Claims 1-16, drawn to a method for manufacturing a metal electrode. Applicant reserves the right to file additional claims if a generic claim is found to be allowable.

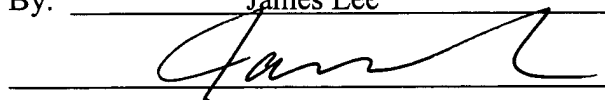
Applicant further reserves the right to file a Divisional Application on the non-elected subject matter of Claims 17-27.

Applicant has submitted Prior Art, including the International Search Report, and an Information Disclosure Statement, and requests that this art be made of record in the prosecution of this matter.

If the Examiner believes that a telephone interview will help further the prosecution of this case, he is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned attorney at the listed telephone number.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on October 27, 2003.

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